

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 19, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman James J. Eardley at 4:00 p.m. on August 19, 2014, in the Commission Chambers, Washington County Administration Building, St. George, Utah. Those in attendance were Chairman James J. Eardley, Commissioner Alan Gardner, Commissioner Victor Iverson, Administrator Dean J. Cox, Deputy County Attorney Eric Clarke, and Deputy County Clerk Christine S. Hall.

Commissioner Gardner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting routine matters which come before the Commission for approval. The Consent Portion of the agenda is approved by one (1) non-debatable motion. If any Commissioner wishes to remove an item from the Consent Portion of the agenda, then that item becomes the first order of business on the Regular Agenda.

- Consideration of Auditor-Approved Claims for Payment for August 6, 2014, through August 19, 2014
- Consideration of Approval of Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2014 and July 1, 2014
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Real Property (attached)
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Personal Property (attached)
- Consideration of Applications for Property Tax Abatement:
Deborah Armstrong, A/N 0430648; Brijido Manjarrez, S/N SG-287-B; Sherri Dominguez, S/N 0468325; Eliot Hill, S/N W-MST-27; Roy Brewer, S/N L-LE29; Shirley Comeau, A/N 0755358; Monte Evans, S/N T-3-1-2-1431; Boyd & Sharon McKnight, S/N HSKRG-4-C6; RaDawn Gleave, S/N W-LSSun-S1; Olivia Auston, S/N SG-GS-10-34

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gardner and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley, Gardner, and Iverson voting aye.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

PRESENTATION: INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTH CARE UPDATE/TERRI KANE

Intermountain Health Care Administrator Terri Kane reported on improvements and anticipated building expansions, and provided statistics concerning the Dixie Regional Medical Center.

Ms. Kane commented on how much the hospital has grown, along with the community it serves. She said that this year a new Trauma Center staffed with neurosurgeons will be opened, eliminating the need for LifeFlight patients to Salt Lake City or Las Vegas. Other building projects that are planned within the next five years include combining all acute services in one location, which are currently divided between the 400 East campus and the River Road campus, and a special location for the cancer program at the River Road campus. IHC continues to look for properties to acquire for its expected expansion.

Additionally, Ms. Kane said that she is regularly approached by physicians who want to relocate here because of the reputation of Dixie Regional Medical Center. *Consumer Reports* magazine has rated Dixie Regional as the safest hospital in the State of Utah.

Ms. Kane introduced Ron Metcalf, the Chairman of the Board of Dixie Regional Medical Center. She reiterated that the Board of Directors is strictly a volunteer board. Mr. Metcalf said that the County is fortunate to have the quality of medical care available through IHC and Dixie Regional. He said that the hospital provided nearly twenty-three million dollars (\$23,000,000) in charity care in 2013. He expressed appreciation for the support of the County in the endeavors of IHC/Dixie Regional Medical Center.

Ms. Kane expressed gratitude to Commissioner Eardley for his ongoing leadership in the community and his support of Intermountain Health Care/Dixie Regional Medical Center's growth.

PRESENTATION: WALK THROUGH WASHINGTON COUNTY / DENNIS GREEN

Mr. Green, a resident of Ivins and lifelong outdoor enthusiast, asked for County endorsement for his proposed "Walk through Washington County," from Enterprise to Springdale (approximately sixty miles), October 13 through October 18, to advertise the beauty of Washington County. He intends to pick up recyclable materials and other trash along the way and encouraged any other citizens to join him on any part of his journey. He asked that the Road Department put up some signage along his route.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Gardner to Endorse the Proposal by Mr. Dennis Green, A Walk through Washington County, October 13 through 18, 2014. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley, Gardner, and Iverson voting aye.

PURCHASE REQUESTS: MARK BLANCH

Road Department, software upgrade for road chipper..... \$ 51,665.73
Road Department, Caterpillar grader (minus \$55,000 trade-in) \$194,900.00
Road Department, Kenworth Truck \$174,540.07

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve the Purchase Requests. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gardner and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley, Gardner, and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1831, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD (UDAF) FOR THE PROVISION OF SURPLUS COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND INTERNET ACCESS

Administrator Dean Cox said that the Commission works with the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) in providing services such as agricultural pesticide testing. The State Department of Technology Services has to travel quite a distance in order to provide the technology support for these services, and this agreement allows the County to use surplus computer equipment and information technology expertise that would normally be provided by the State at a cost of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) per year.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1831, A Resolution Approving An Agreement Between Washington County And The Utah Department Of Agriculture And Food (UDAF) For The Provision Of Surplus Computer Equipment And Internet Access. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gardner and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley, Gardner, and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1832, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT AND AN ADDENDUM TO THE SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN EVERBRIDGE, INC., AND WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR MASS NOTIFICATION SERVICES (A.K.A. REVERSE 911)

Deputy County Attorney Clarke said that Washington County's Emergency Services Department previously put out a Request for Proposal for mass notification services carriers, and at that time Everbridge, Inc. was the recipient of the contract. Everbridge has created an upgrade, offering better and more services.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Gardner to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1832, A Resolution Approving The Execution Of An Amendment And An Addendum To The Service Agreement Between Everbridge, Inc., And Washington County For Mass Notification Services (a.k.a. Reverse 911). Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley, Gardner, and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1833, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY AND WASHINGTON COUNTY REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF A CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY FOR MULTIPLE LAND PARCELS

Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Director Robert Sandberg said that this contract is for cultural inventory of some potential exchange parcels that the HCP in fulfilling its role as facilitator in land acquisition for in-holdings within the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requires this information to determine which parcels, if any, can be offered in a land exchange. His office issued a Request for Proposals and received thirteen (13). The Office of Public Archaeology was the apparent low bidder, with a bid of approximately nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000).

Commissioner Gardner mentioned that he received an email today from the BLM, identifying six parcels cited in the Washington County Land Bill that were advertised in the last federal register.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Gardner to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1833, A Resolution Approving an Agreement Between Brigham Young University Office Of Public Archaeology And Washington County Regarding The Completion Of a Cultural Resource Inventory For Multiple Land Parcels. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley, Gardner, and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1834, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE RENEWAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LEEDS DOMESTIC WATERUSERS ASSOCIATION AND WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR THE RICE BANK BUILDING

Mr. Cox said that the Rice Bank Building is a structure on a historical, County-owned property in the Silver Reef area. The County has been leasing the building to the Leeds Domestic Waterusers Association, which has been an excellent tenant.

Mr. Clarke said that there have been some communication issues in obtaining the entire contract from the Leeds Domestic Waterusers Association, and he suggests approving the Resolution pending final approval from his office after a thorough review of the contract.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1834, a Resolution Approving the Execution of a Lease Renewal Agreement Between The Leeds Domestic Waterusers Association and Washington County For The Rice Bank Building. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gardner and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley, Gardner, and Iverson voting aye.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Gardner said that the Water Conservancy District reported that during the recent rainstorm there was flooding down the Ft. Pierce wash, consisting of about seven thousand second feet of water.

PUBLIC WORKS OR ROAD BUSINESS

Public Works Director Ron Whitehead said that the chip seal project on Kolob has been completed from the top of the reservoir down into the Town of Virgin. That concludes the chip seal projects for this year.

Mr. Whitehead said that his crew is nearing completion on the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) project on the cutoff road through the Shivwits Indian Reservation. It has been delayed because of the rain but the road crew is still ahead of schedule.

Two small debris removal and bank armoring projects along the Santa Clara River and at Shem Dam remain to be done, probably towards the end of summer.

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING BUSINESS: REVIEW OF ITEMS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF AUGUST 12, 2014 / SCOTT MESSEL

Conditional Use Extension: Review of one year extension request for the communication tower site on Parcel 7140-A-1-N-NW, 1 acre of land zoned RA-1; Robert Tripp and Intellisites LLC, applicants.

Conditional Use Extension: Review of one year extension request for Gypsum Mining operation located on BLM land in Section 24,T43S,R17W,SLBM zoned OSC-20; Good Earth Minerals, applicant.

Conditional Use: Review of Accessory Dwelling in connection with a new home on Parcel GMSR-10-HV, lot 10 of Grassy Meadows Sky Ranch Subdivision, 4085 S 1200 W near Hurricane, zoned RA-1; Richard Cutts, applicant.

Conditional Use: Review of Accessory Dwelling in connection with a new home on Parcel 3014-C-1-NS, 352 N 900 E, New Harmony, zoned A-20; Allan Smail, applicant.

Conditional Use: Review of family recreation/retreat located on Parcels BSH-37-NW and BSH-38-NW in Brookside Summer Homes Subdivision at 200 S Stage Coach Dr, Brookside, zoned RE-40; Randy and Tammy Paul, applicants.

Conditional Use: Review of private recreation grounds and facilities located on Parcel 7126-1-NW, 160 acres on Baker Dam Road east of Veyo, zoned OST-20, Holmstead Ranch/Monte Holm, applicants.

Ordinance Amendment: Consideration of new ordinance, Title 10, Chapter 26, Home Occupation, and amending applicable definitions and sections; making it possible for home-based businesses to use accessory building; creating and defining minor and major home occupation.

Washington County Planner Scott Messel explained that the above items were all unanimously approved by the Planning Commission at its August 12, 2014, meeting.

Request a Closed Session

None.

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

CHRISTINE S. HALL
DEPUTY CLERK

JAMES J. EARDLEY
CHAIRMAN